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SUBJECT: GDR-USSR AGREEMENT ON GDR PARTICIPATION IN MULTILATERAL
CEMA PROJECT AT KURSK

1. IZVESTIYA EVENING FEB 19 CARRIED BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT OF
SIGNATURE AT USSR MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE OF INTERGOVERN-
MENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN GDR AND USSR ON COOPERATION IN
DEVELOPMENT OF PRODUCTION ON SOVIET TERRITORY OF DIFFERENT
TYPES OF FERROALLOYS.

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2. TASS VESTNIK FEB 20 STATES THAT FROM 1975 THROUGH 1978

GDR WILL DELIVER MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS TO USSR FOR THIS PROJECT. AFTER IT IS OPERATIONAL, USSR WILL DELIVER FERROALLOYS (EXACT QUANTITIES NOT STATED) TO GDR FOR PERIOD OF TWELVE YEARS UNDER "GENERAL AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION IN DEVELOPMENT OF FERROUS METALLURGY" CONCLUDED EARLIER BETWEEN USSR AND BULGARIA, HUNGARY, GDR, POLAND, CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND ROMANIA. CONVERSATIONS NOW GOING ON BETWEEN GDR AND USSR ON COOPERATION "IN PRODUCTION OF ENRICHED IRON ORE ON TERRITORY OF SOVIET UNION" ARE EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

3. COMMENT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF SOVIET PROTOCOL WITH GDR WINDS UP SERIES OF INTRA-CEMA BILATERALS WHICH FORMALIZE EAST EUROPEAN CEMA COUNTRY SUPPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SOME OF WORLD'S RICHEST IRON ORE DEPOSITS IN VICINITY OF KURSK, ABOUT 450 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF MOSCOW. THIS CEMA MULTILATERAL PROJECT SUPPLEMENTS ANOTHER SECTOR BEING BUILT BY FRG FIRMS KRUPP, SALZGITTER, KORF AND SIEMENS NEAR TOWN OF OSKOL UNDER CONTRACTS VALUED AT ABOUT ONE BILLION DOLLARS. THUS, TWO GERMANIES WILL BE WORKING ON SAME DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN USSR, EVEN THOUGH ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION SITES WILL BE SOME MILES APART. STOESEL

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